# Thoughts on the Pseudogap

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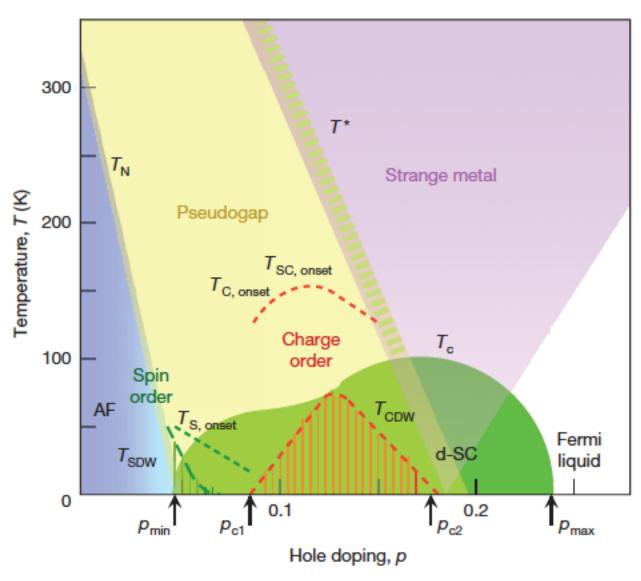
## Outline

1. Impact of pseudogap on spin fluctuation mediated pairing Mishra, Chatterjee, Campuzano, Norman, Nature Physics 10, 357 (2014)

2. d-wave charge order from spin fluctuations

Mishra and Norman, arXiv:1502.02782v2 (to appear, Phys Rev B)

# Phase Diagram of the Cuprates



Keimer et al, Nature (2015)

#### What is the Pseudogap Due to?

1. Spin singlets

6. Orbital currents

2. Pre-formed pairs

7. Flux phase

3. Spin density wave

8. Stripes/nematic

4. Charge density wave

9. Valence bond solid/glass

5. d density wave

10. Combination?

$$A(k,\omega) = I(k,\omega) + I(-k + 2k_F, -\omega)$$

(spectral function)

$$\chi_0(q,\Omega) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} d\omega \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} d\omega' \frac{f(\omega) - f(\omega')}{\omega - \omega' + \Omega + i0^+} \frac{1}{N} \sum_k A(k+q,\omega) A(k,\omega')$$

(p-h bubble)

$$\chi(k,\Omega) = \frac{\chi_0(k,\Omega)}{1 - U\chi_0(k,\Omega)}$$

(dynamic susceptibility)

$$V(k,\Omega) = \bar{U}^2 \left[ \frac{3}{2} \chi(k,\Omega) - \frac{1}{2} \chi_0(k,\Omega) \right]$$

(pair potential)

$$\Sigma(k, i\omega_n) = T \sum_{q,\omega_m} V(k - q, i\omega_n - i\omega_m) G_0(q, i\omega_m)$$

(normal self-energy)

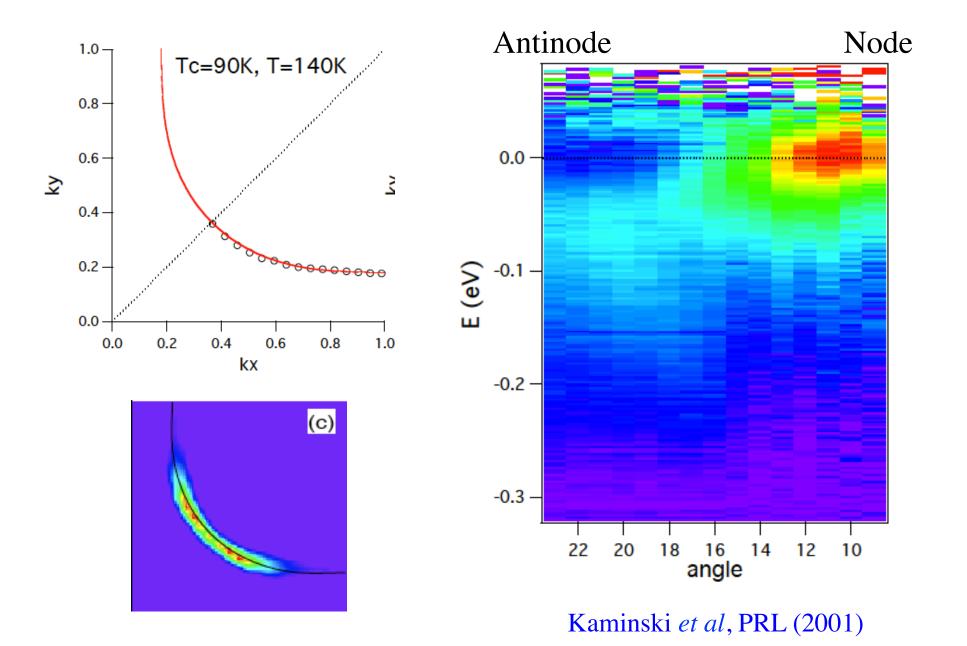
$$-\frac{T}{N}\sum_{k',\omega_m}V(k-k',i\omega_n-i\omega_m)\mathcal{P}_0(k',i\omega_m)\Phi(k',i\omega_m)=\Phi(k,i\omega_n)$$

(gap equation)

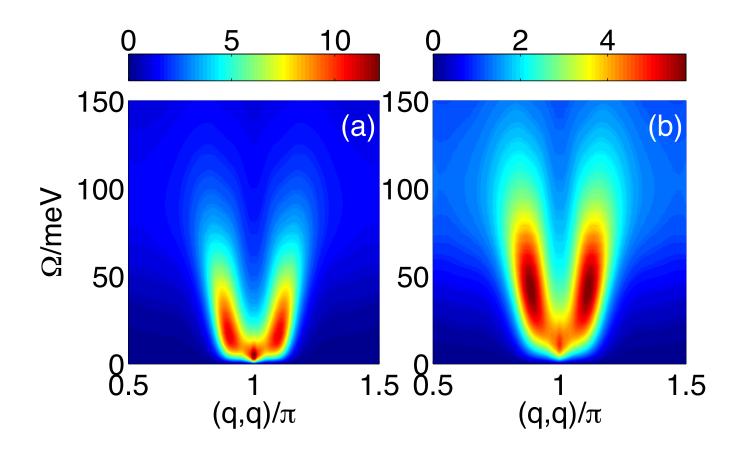
$$\mathcal{P}_0(k',i\omega_m) = G(k',i\omega_m)G(-k',-i\omega_m)$$

(pairing kernel)

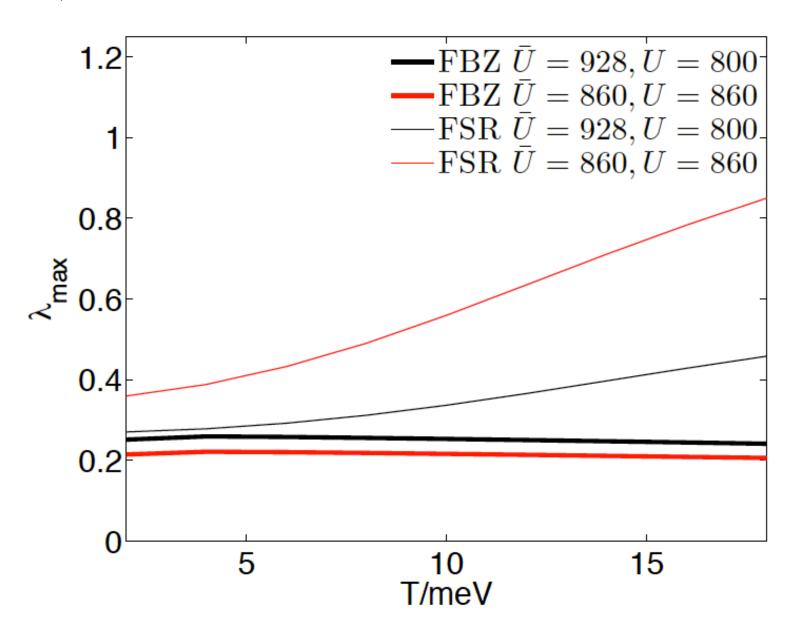
#### ARPES data from a Bi2212 single crystal (T<sub>c</sub>=90K, T=140K)



 $\chi(q,\omega)$  for U = 860 meV (left) and 800 meV (right) using ARPES Greens functions



d-wave eigenvalue versus temperature using ARPES Greens functions (FBZ is full Brillouin zone, FSR is Fermi surface restricted)



$$-\frac{T}{N_{\phi}} \sum_{\phi',\omega_m} V_{nm}^{\phi\phi'} \mathcal{P}_0(\phi', i\omega_m) \Phi(\phi', i\omega_m) = \Phi(\phi, i\omega_n)$$

(FS restricted gap equation)

$$V_{nm}^{\phi\phi'} = V(k_{Fx}^{\phi} - k_{Fx}^{\phi'}, k_{Fy}^{\phi} - k_{Fy}^{\phi'}, i\omega_n - i\omega_m).$$

(FS restricted pair interaction)

$$T\sum_{\omega_n} \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{d\phi}{2\pi} \mathcal{V}\cos^2(2\phi) P_0(\phi, i\omega_n) = 1.$$
 (weak coupling gap equation)

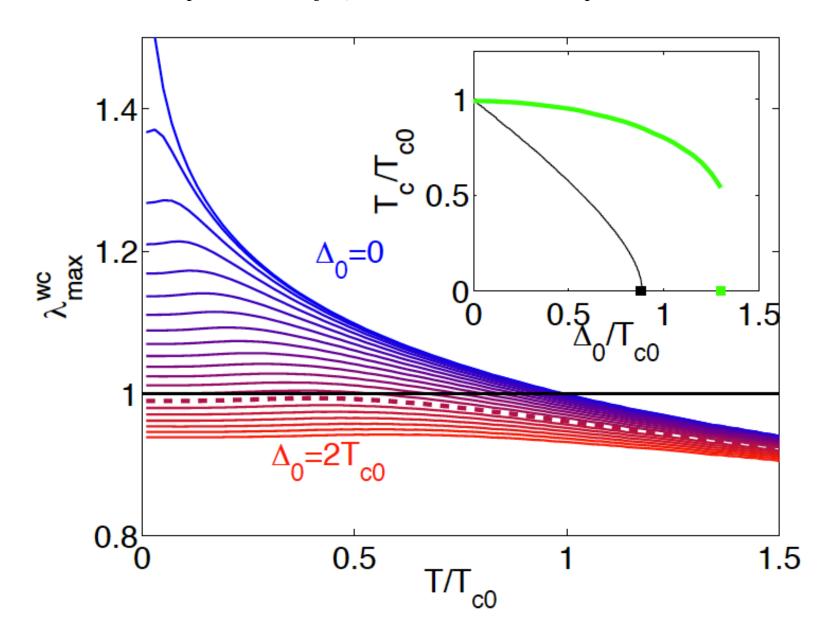
$$G(k, i\omega_n) = -\frac{i\omega_n + i\Gamma sgn(\omega_n) + \xi_k}{(\omega_n + \Gamma sgn(\omega_n))^2 + \xi_k^2 + \Delta_k^2}.$$

(model Greens function)

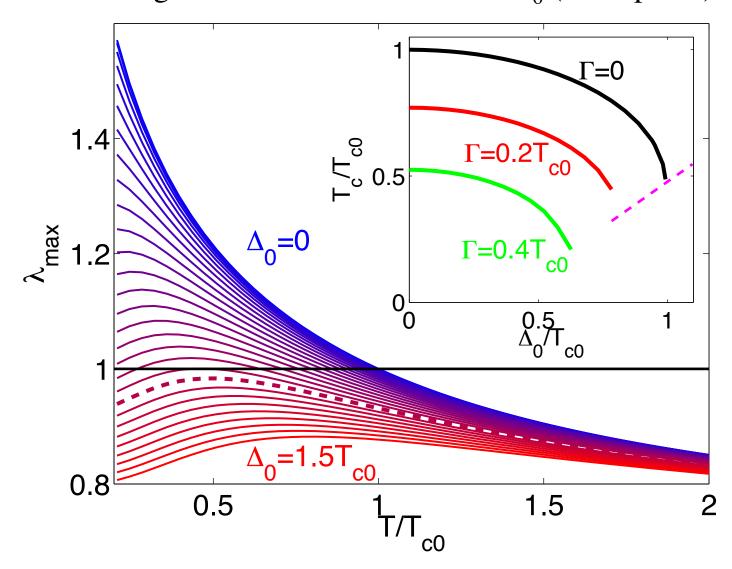
$$V(k,\Omega) = \frac{3}{2}g_{sf}^2 \frac{\chi_{\mathbf{Q}}}{\xi_{AF}^{-2} + 2 + \cos k_x + \cos k_y - i\frac{\Omega}{\Omega_{sf}}}$$

(MMP pair interaction)

Weak coupling d-wave eigenvalue vs T for various pseudogaps  $\Delta_0$  [inset is  $T_c$  versus  $\Delta_0$  (green curve) and  $T_c$  vs  $\Gamma$  (black curve)]



 $T_c$  vs pseudogap ( $\Delta_0$ ) for various  $\Gamma$  using MMP pair interaction (inset) [dashed line is temperature maximum of  $\lambda$  vs  $\Delta_0$  for  $\Gamma$ =0] d-wave eigenvalue  $\lambda$  vs T for various  $\Delta_0$  (main panel)

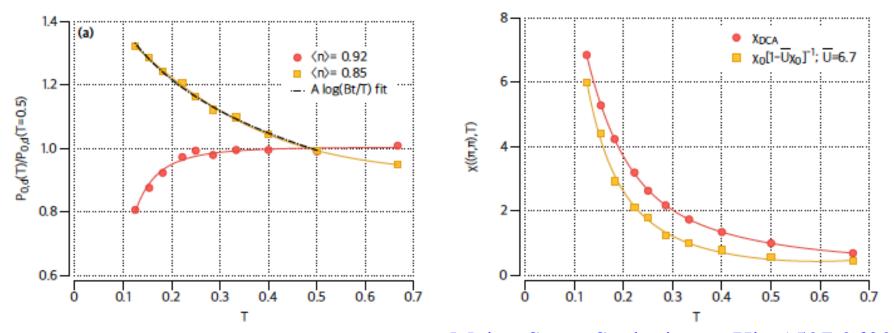


#### CONCLUSION (part 1)

Pair breaking effect of the pseudogap is so strong that T<sub>c</sub> should be suppressed to zero UNLESS the pseudogap itself is due to pairing

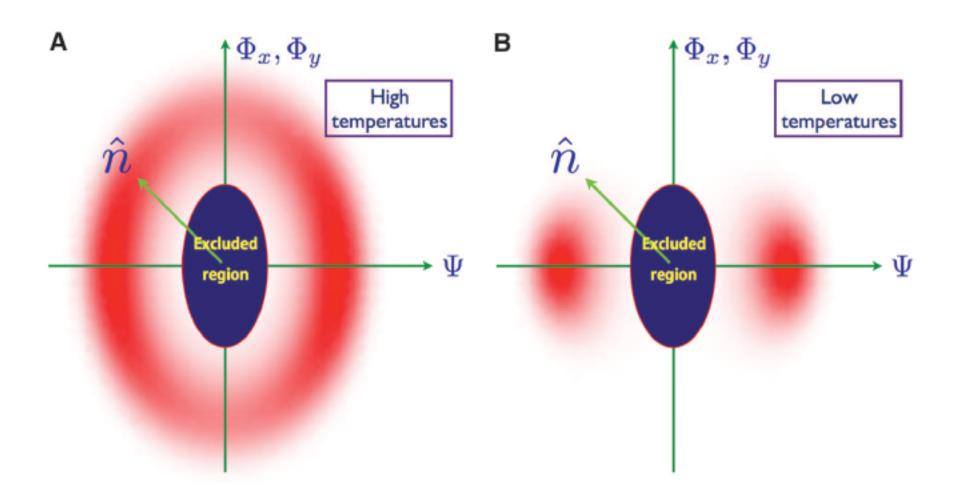
#### **OR**

the transition is driven instead by the T dependence of the interaction

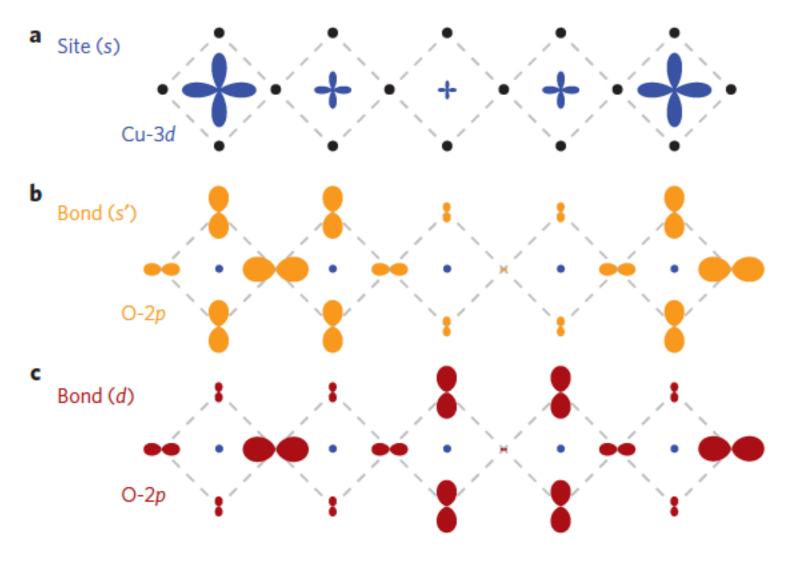


Maier, Staar, Scalapino, arXiv:1507.06206

#### d-wave superconductivity and d-wave charge order Two sides of the same coin?

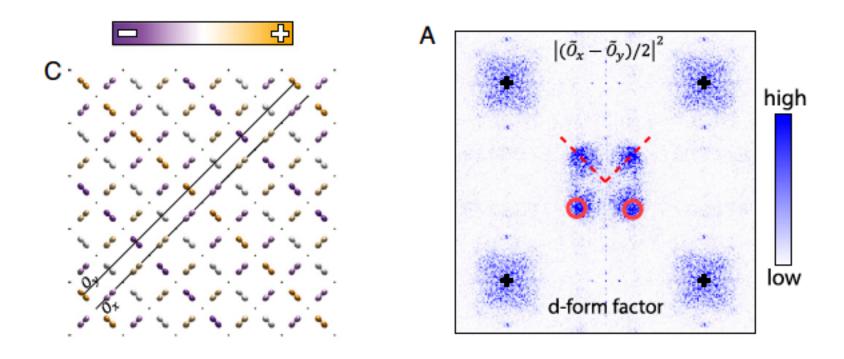


The work of Sachdev and others has motivated new experiments designed to look for d-wave charge order by x-rays and STM

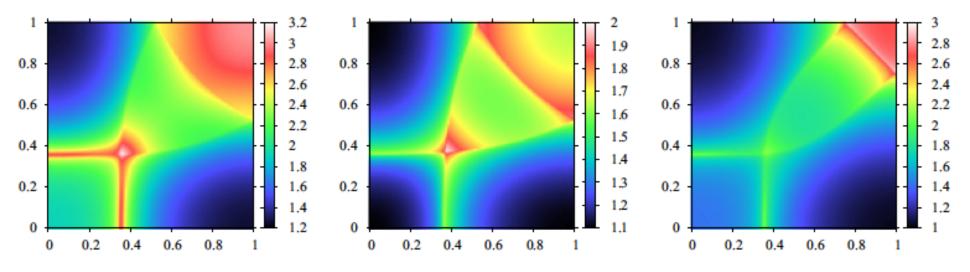


Comin et al, Nature Matls. (2015)

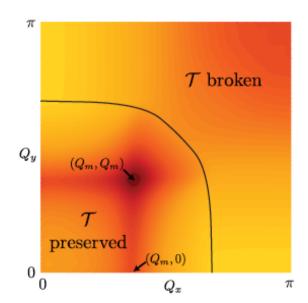
## Fourier STM



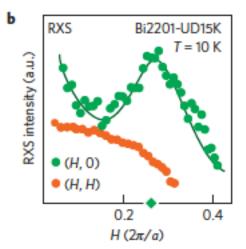
#### Problem 1 – itinerant models tend to predict diagonal (Q,Q) order



Norman, PRB (2007); Melikyan & Norman, PRB (2014)

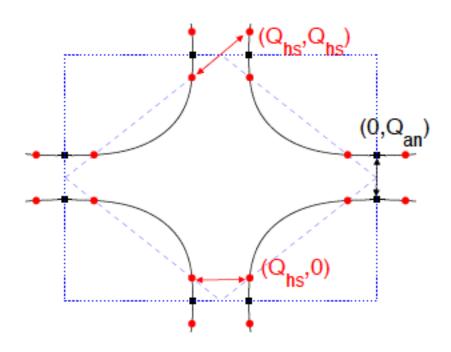


Sachdev & La Placa, PRL (2013)



Comin et al, Nature Matls. (2015)

# Problem 2 – itinerant models typically rely on nesting/hot spots



To address this, we will solve full Brillouin zone strong coupling eqs.

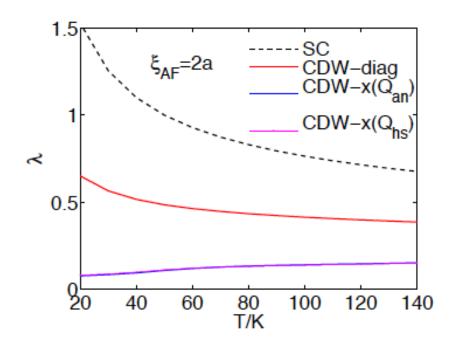
$$T\sum_{k',\omega_m} V(k-k',i\omega_n-i\omega_m)G(k'-\frac{Q}{2},i\omega_m)G(k'+\frac{Q}{2},i\omega_m)\Phi^Q(k',i\omega_m) = \lambda\Phi^Q(k,i\omega_n)$$

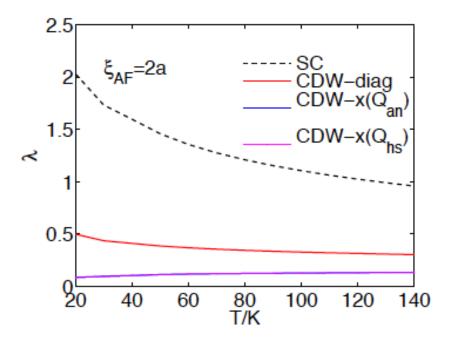
$$V(k,\Omega) = \frac{3}{2}g_{sf}^2 \frac{\chi_Q}{\xi_{AF}^{-2} + 2 + \cos k_x + \cos k_y + i\frac{\Omega}{\Omega_{sf}}}$$

 $g_{sf}^{2}\chi_{Q}$  – adjusted to get d-wave superconducting  $T_{c}$   $\Omega_{sf}$  – set by energy scale of spin fluctuations (RIXS, INS)  $\xi_{AF}$  – set by q dependence of spin fluctuations (INS)

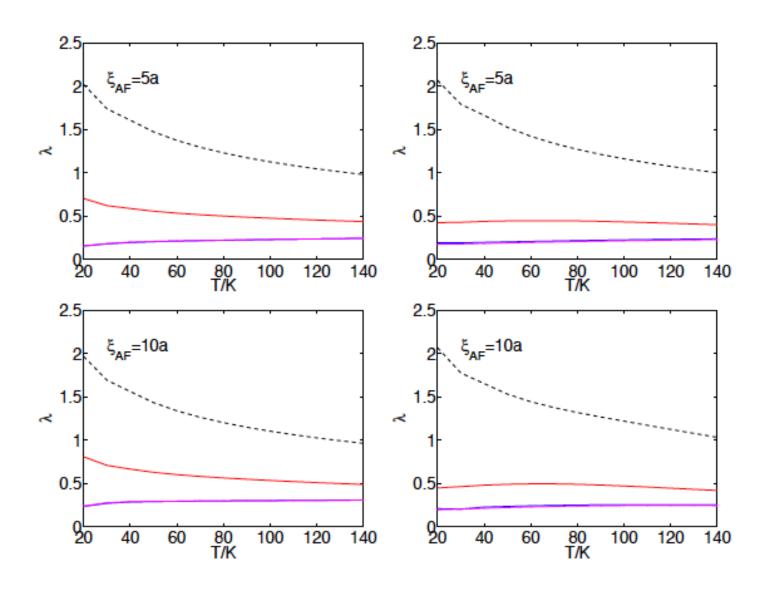
- G (1) bare G, but based on renormalized dispersion from ARPES
  - (2) full G dressed by spin fluctuations

Strong coupling calculations using a renormalized bare Greens function do not find bond charge order (left); using a fully dressed G leads to an additional suppression of diagonal charge order as well (right)

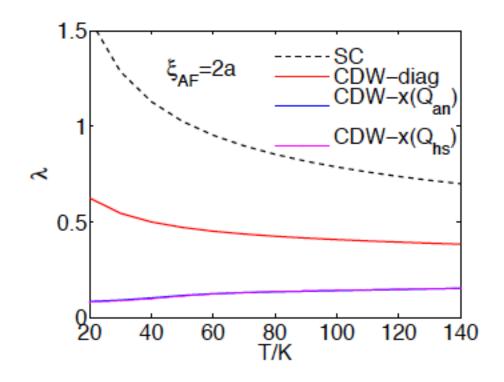




# Going to longer antiferromagnetic correlation lengths does not really change the story



Inclusion of a modest coupling to B<sub>1g</sub> phonons does not help either



#### CONCLUSION (part 2)

An itinerant model for the charge order is unlikely

The d-wave order is likely due to Coulomb repulsion between the doped holes on the oxygen sites, with each unit cell maintaining the same hole count

